

**Fort St. George, Popham Village (1607-08), September 5-10 and September 11-16, 2005**

Fort St. George is the site of the oldest English fort in the Northeast, built in 1607-08 at the mouth of the Kennebec River. During their stay, colonists built a number of structures and launched the first English-built ship in North America, the *Virginia of Sagadahoc*. Although the colony failed, it left remarkable evidence of early 17<sup>th</sup> century life.

With the help of a contemporary drawing of the site (made by John Hunt in 1607), the colony storehouse has been located and excavated. In 1999, the "Admiral's House" was located and was a focus of excavations in 1999-2000. Many interesting artifacts have been found, including a caulking iron that may have been used on the *Virginia*, pieces of armor, glass buttons, the bowl of a clay smoking pipe, and pieces of English and European pottery, including fragments of a Bellarmine jug.



The 2005 season will continue the search for structures and artifacts.

**Fort St. George School Staff**



**Project Leader, Jeffrey Brain**, received his doctorate in archaeology/anthropology from Yale and is currently a senior research associate at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, Mass. He has over 45 years of field experience and directed the archaeological excavations at Fort St. George in 1994 and 1997-2004.

**Peter Morrison, project assistant**, has extensive experience in the archaeology of Maine and has also worked at recent Fort St. George excavations. He has a Masters degree in history from the University of Maine at Orono.

**Pam Crane, project assistant**, received her Masters degree in anthropology from the University of Maine at Orono. She has extensive field experience in historical archaeology in Maine.

**Tim Dinsmore, project assistant**, has 22 years of experience in historical archaeology in Maine and has completed his masters in anthropology at the College of William and Mary.

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**Friends of the Maine State Museum, 83 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0083**

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**MAINE STATE MUSEUM Field School in Archaeology  
2005 Registration Form**

☐ Popham I: September 5-10 (\$600 members/\$700 non-members)

☐ Popham II: September 11-16 (\$600 members/\$700 non-members)

NOTE: If your Popham session of choice has filled, do you wish to register for the alternate session? Yes ☐ No ☐

☐ I am a member of the Maine State Museum.

☐ I would like to become a 2005 member and enclose additional payment in the amount of:

\$50	Supporting	<input type="checkbox"/>	
\$100	Sustaining/Business		<input type="checkbox"/>
\$250	Contributing		<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500	Benefactor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
\$1000	Sponsor		<input type="checkbox"/>

I enclose a donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in support of future Field School activities.

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I enclose my payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to reserve a place in the 2005 Popham I or Popham II field school.

Check \_\_\_\_\_ Visa/MC \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Fort St. George Field School Information***

- Two one-week sessions (week 1 – September 5-10; week 2 – September 11-16).
- Maximum of 15 participants per session.
- Participants should plan to arrive Monday, Labor Day (September 5) between 3 and 5 PM.
- Participants not requiring food or accommodations may deduct \$100 from the registration fee.
- Minors must be accompanied by a registered adult participant.
- Cost: \$600 for Maine State Museum members/\$700 for non-members.  
\$150 deposit due upon registration (**NOTE: No refunds after August 6 unless vacancy can be filled.**)
- Final payment due by August 6, 2005.

Field School participants will stay at the Edgewater Farm Bed and Breakfast, a short drive to the site. Facilities include a large common area for programs, and a swimming pool. Food arrangements are typical for a working field school. Food is purchased by staff with individual preferences taken into account. Meal preparation and clean-up are shared by all. Those who wish to stay Friday night or additional nights should contact Adele Bickford prior to August 6<sup>th</sup> at 207-287-2304. Thereafter, please contact Carol Emerson at Edgewater Farm at 207-359-1322.



### ***Pre-Historic Archaeological Field School***

Dr. Bruce Bourque will again lead a field school to the Cushing site in conjunction with the Maine State Museum and Earthwatch. Ten day residential programs are offered from June 5-14 and June 20-29. For further information and registration, please contact Earthwatch Expeditions, Inc. at 978-461-0081 or <http://www.earthwatch.org>.



### **MAINE STATE MUSEUM Field School in Archaeology 2005**

Established in 1993 by the Friends of the Maine State Museum, the Field Schools in Archaeology carry out important archaeological fieldwork in Maine. You will work under the guidance of expert archaeologists as we discover the secrets of the past. For further information, please contact Adele Bickford at 207-287-2304 or email at: [adele.bickford@maine.gov](mailto:adele.bickford@maine.gov).

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